

## **Graduate Council Minutes**

October 24, 2007

**Present:** Beyler, Bluestone, Brennan, Butler, Elzanowski, Mildner, Ostlund, Reynolds, Taylor, Vurkac, Harmon, Orr Eldred, Hanson

**Absent:** Borgmeier, Maier, McCartney, Siegel, Yeakley, Walden, Feyerherm

### **Agenda**

#### **Minutes from October 10 meeting**

##### **Discussion – Graduate Certification in Sustainability**

##### **Discussion – Revision of university requirements for doctoral degrees**

The meeting was called to order at 3:08.

#### **Minutes from October 10, 2007 GC meeting**

*It was moved (Butler) and seconded (Elzanowski) to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion was approved unanimously.*

##### **Discussion – Graduate Certification in Sustainability**

GC reviewed the proposed Graduate Certificate in Sustainability. There was a lengthy discussion and a number of revisions were suggested. This information will be provided to the certificate proposers.

##### **Discussion – Revision of university requirements for doctoral degrees**

The university-level requirements for doctoral degrees have not been updated since doctoral degrees was established at PSU, so Ostlund had suggested that GC review these requirements with the idea of proposing revisions. A policy statement regarding the Ph.D. degree from the Council of Graduate Schools was distributed to the members.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:12 p.m.